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1. The Hungarian air defense organization is divided into three main services:
 - a. Observation and reporting service.
 - b. Civil defense organizations such as police, fire brigades, industrial air defense personnel and first aid detachments.
 - c. AA detachments of regular military troops and civilians working in industrial establishments, who have had training with AA guns.
2. At Kaposvár, the reporting center and AA detachments are subordinated to the National Air Defense Center in Budapest, although they are also linked to the Pécs Military District Command for questions of recruitment, military discipline and supplies, etc. The civil defense organization on the other hand comes under the air defense section of the District Military Command.
3. Great efforts are being made to develop the AA units and members of the Freedom Fighters League (SZHSZ) are being called upon to enlist "voluntarily" in the para-military AA units as a preparation for military service.
4. A nation-wide air defense exercise was scheduled to take place at the end of August and beginning of September 1952 which was to be linked to manoeuvres planned for the southern areas west of the Danube. Mobilization of the civil defense organizations during these exercises was to be carried out by the District Command.

Comment: This report indicates a considerable centralization of the ARP system and may correspond with the centralized early warning system. It is clear that the reporting centers have an important function, being connected directly with the National Air Defense Center.

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